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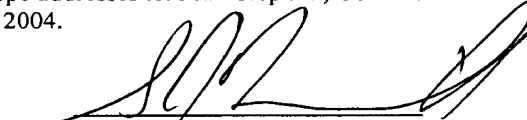
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 4, 2003

This reply is being filed in response to the Final Rejection of August 4, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants also petition for a two-month extension of time, thereby extending the time for response through January 5, 2004 (Monday). The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-5425 in connection with fees associated with this petition or otherwise associated with this application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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